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Practitioner's Docket No. 2373/103

## CHAPTER II

## IN THE UNITED STATES ELECTED OFFICE (EO/US)

PCT/AU00/00171	10 March 2000 (10.03.00)	10 March 1999 (10.03.99)
International Application Number	International Filing Date	International Earliest Priority Date

TITLE OF INVENTION: Tree Harvesting Apparatus

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Washington, D.C. 20231  
ATTENTION: EO/US

COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS  
FOR INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION ENTERING U.S. NATIONAL STAGE  
IN U.S. ELECTED OFFICE (EO/US) UNDER 35 U.S.C. section 371

A Notification to File Missing Requirements has not been received by Applicant.

## CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. section 1.10\*

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## DECLARATION OR OATH

- I. No original declaration or oath was filed. Enclosed is the original declaration or oath for this application.

## FEES

### II.

1. Fees for claims

Each independent claim in excess of 3  
(37 C.F.R. section 1.492(b)) \$0.00

Each claim in excess of 20  
(37 C.F.R. section 1.492(c)) \$0.00

2. Surcharge fees

Surcharge set forth in 37 C.F.R. section 1.492(e) for accepting  
the declaration later than 30 months after the priority  
date in filing an application in the U.S. as a designated  
office. \$65.00

**Total Fees \$ 65.00**

## SMALL ENTITY STATUS

- III. Applicant claims small entity status.

## EXTENSION OF TIME

- IV. The proceedings herein are for a patent application. Accordingly, the provisions of 37 C.F.R. section 1.136(a) apply.

Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

## TOTAL FEE DUE

- V. The total fee due is:

Completion fee(s) \$ 65.00

**TOTAL FEE DUE \$ 65.00**

**PAYMENT OF FEES**

**VI.** Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$ 65.00.

**AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES**

**VII.** The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees that may be required by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Account No. 19-4972.

\*37 C.F.R. section 1.492(a)(1), 1.492(a)(4) (filing fees)

\*37 C.F.R. section 1.492(b), (c), and (d) (presentation of extra claims)

\*37 C.F.R. section 1.17 (application processing fees)

\*37 C.F.R. section 1.17(a)(1)-(5) (extension fees pursuant to section 1.136(a))

\*37 C.F.R. section 1.492(e) and/or (f) (surcharge fees for filing the declaration and/or an English translation of an international application later than 30 months from the earliest-claimed priority date).

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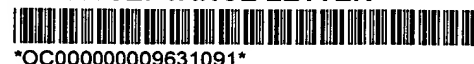
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CONFIRMATION NO. 2368

371 ACCEPTANCE LETTER



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NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 AND 37 CFR 1.494  
OR 1.495

The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495), has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

08/13/2002  
DATE OF RECEIPT OF 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and  
(c)(4) REQUIREMENTS

08/13/2002  
DATE OF RECEIPT OF ALL 35 U.S.C.  
REQUIREMENTS

A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. **THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE " FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE.** *The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363).* Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

- U.S. Basic National Fee
- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Assignee Statement
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Oath or Declaration
- Preliminary Amendments
- Request for Immediate Examination

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Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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